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In re application of: Vikas Gupta, Hein J. Koelman, Steve J. Rogers, Eric Kurtycz, and Ravi Ramanathan

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Group No.: 3612

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Examiner: Gregory A. Blankenship

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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

## STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

## EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM						\$ 0.00	=	\$ 0.00
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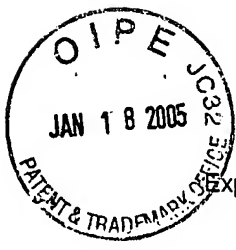
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**RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION PRIOR TO APPEAL**

In response to the Office Action mailed December 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks.